



Friday
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Weekly Views

Facilities across the state enjoyed a week full of games, prizes and great food for Correctional Employees' Appreciation Week. IDOC staff at every facility received recognition for their dedication and commitment to the citizens of Indiana.

The IDOC Apprenticeship Team consisting of Doug Evans, Lisa Williams, Hiram Sizemore, and Charles Jones were each awarded Governor Daniel's Public Service Achievement Awards.

Lt. Lori Petty, Officer Ryan Withycombe, Officer Scott McFerren and Tammy Ranard were honored as the 2010 Wabash Valley Employees of the Year during an Employee Appreciation Awards Luncheon.

Plainfield Correctional Facility recognized John Berry, Sgt. Tammy Ray, Don Harris, Sgt. Richard Stern, Sgt. Belvin Campbell and Officer Anthony Lyons for their exemplary service to the Department.

State Representative Nancy Michael and Chief of Staff Dan Ronay spoke at an Employee Recognition Ceremony at the Putnamville Correctional Facility. Specialty Team Members and other staff received recognition for their service and Memorial Scholarships were also awarded.



New Castle Superintendent Stine and staff held a special Memorial Service for fallen Correctional Workers in recognition of the start of Correctional Employees' Week.

Chain O' Lakes Correctional Facility passed its ACA Re-Accreditation with 100% on mandatory and 97.39 on non-mandatory standards.

Indianapolis Parole Staff had a staff picture taken at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Track.

Reception Diagnostic Center recognized Maintenance Electrician Larry Lee as RDC Employee of the Year.

The students from the creative writing program at South Bend Juvenile had their poetry published anonymously in the anthology, "Words of the Forgotten".

Correctional Industrial Facility received a score of 100% for all of the 59 Mandatory Standards and a score of 98.87% for all of the 444 Non-Mandatory Standards for their ACA Audit.

Westville Correctional Facility Re-Entry staff members Cathy Chmielewski and David Sonnenberg were honored by the Educational Opportunity Center Community for Education Partners and received the Director's Award from Lake Michigan College.

Pendleton Correctional Facility's off-ground work crews logged 2,041 hours during April. Since January 1st these crews have provided 6,396.25 hours of community service.

Offenders from New Castle's Minimum Housing Unit provided 3,253 hours of Community Service for the City of New Castle and Henry County during the month of April 2010.

The spring cleaning of state roadways by Wabash Valley minimum-security offenders ended with a whopping 1,852 bags of trash collected, totaling over 11,000 pounds worth of debris.

Educator, youth advocate, and performer Hasan Davis was a guest speaker to more than 50 students at Pendleton Juvenile. Hasan Davis is the founder of Empowerment Solutions and the Vice Chair of the Federal Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee.

The Miami Correctional Facility held a Kairos weekend recently with more than 100 volunteers coming in to work with offenders.

The students in Unit 6 at Madison Juvenile were rewarded with ice cream cones for winning the facility-wide "Safety Award" for having the lowest number of injury incidents for the month of April.

